

REMARKS

An Appeal Brief in connection with the above-captioned matter was filed on January 31, 2008. In the Examiner's Answer mailed September 15, 2009, the rejection of claim 2 was withdrawn.

Pursuant to Rule 41.33(b)(2), Applicants submit new claim 19 in which the limitations of now-canceled claim 2, along with the limitations of its respective base claim (claim 1) and any intervening claims (none) have been rewritten in independent form.

For these reasons, Applicant/Appellant believes the instant amendment is in order and respectfully requests admission of same.

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal all presently outstanding rejections. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this response is respectfully requested. If it is believed that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, Applicant's undersigned representative may be contacted at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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